THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI) : (a) and (b) 9 posts of Supervisor (Physical Education) are lying vacant since 1980.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. There are 28 zones and 18 posts of Supervisor (Physical Education) have been sanctioned. In addition, the S.S.I. (Physical education) whose services were transferred to Delhi Administration from MCD in 1970 are also working.

Creation of Directorate of Sports under Delhi Administration

1811. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that in the Education Department of Delhi Administration, Physical Education and Sports are being divided into two separate Departments;

(b) if so, whether the Directorate of Education would appoint separate teachers to teach physical education and sports in Delhi schools to avoid duplication of work and if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there is a proposal to make separate Directorate of Sports under the Delhi Administration; and

(d) if so, what would be the organisational set up of the Directorate of Sports ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Delhi Administration has not yet finalised its proposal.

Losses in Central Inland Water Transport Corporation

1812. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Inland Water Transport Corporation has been continuously sustaining huge losses ;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor ; and

(c) what are the details of proposed steps to be taken to improve the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) and (b) The Corporation has been incurring losses primarily because of the overaged fleet of the Corporation which has outlived its economical life and was rendering the river service operations uneconomical. The Corporation also had in the past carried heavy liability by way of interest on ways & means loans granted by the Government from time to time and considerable staff on its rolls.

(c) In order to improve financial performance of the CIWTC, 42 vessels have been acquired to augment its carrying capacity, besides undertaking capital repairs of 29 vessels. To further augment its carrying capacity, 63 new vessels costing Rs 63.80 crores have also been sanctioned for acquisition in the Seventh Five Year Plan.